



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HARTLEY *et al.*

Appl. No. 10/058,291

Filed: January 30, 2002

For: **Recombinational Cloning Using
Engineered Recombination Sites**

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Examiner: Akhavan, R.

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Request for Personal Interview

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby request a personal interview with the Examiner in the above-captioned application, prior to a first action on the merits. Since an interview is being requested prior to a first action on the merits after filing of a Request for Continued Examination, it is believed that the Examiner may properly grant this interview under MPEP § 706.07(b). It is therefore respectfully requested that the Examiner contact Applicants' undersigned representative to schedule a personal interview in this application at the earliest possible time.

Respectfully submitted,

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